

**Fill in this information to identify your case:**

United States Bankruptcy Court for the:

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Case number *(if known)* \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter 11☐ Check if this an amended filing

## Official Form 201

**Voluntary Petition for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy**

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If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write the debtor's name and case number (if known). For more information, a separate document, *Instructions for Bankruptcy Forms for Non-Individuals*, is available.

1.	<b>Debtor's name</b>	<u>Amshale Energy LLC, A Texas limited liability company</u>	
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2.	<b>All other names debtor used in the last 8 years</b> Include any assumed names, trade names and <i>doing business as</i> names		
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3.	<b>Debtor's federal Employer Identification Number (EIN)</b>	<u>46-0759582</u>	
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4.	<b>Debtor's address</b>	<b>Principal place of business</b>  <u>2323 South Shepherd Dr.</u> <u>Suite 800</u> <u>Houston, TX 77019</u> Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code  <u>Harris</u> County	<b>Mailing address, if different from principal place of business</b>  _____ P.O. Box, Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code  <b>Location of principal assets, if different from principal place of business</b>  _____ Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code
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5.	<b>Debtor's website (URL)</b>	<u></u>	
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6.	<b>Type of debtor</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation (including Limited Liability Company (LLC) and Limited Liability Partnership (LLP)) <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership (excluding LLP) <input type="checkbox"/> Other. Specify: _____	
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Debtor Amshale Energy LLC, A Texas limited liability company  
Name

Case number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

**7. Describe debtor's business** A. *Check one:*

- ☐ Health Care Business (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))
- ☐ Single Asset Real Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))
- ☐ Railroad (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(44))
- ☐ Stockbroker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))
- ☐ Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))
- ☐ Clearing Bank (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 781(3))
- ☒ None of the above

B. *Check all that apply*

- ☐ Tax-exempt entity (as described in 26 U.S.C. §501)
- ☐ Investment company, including hedge fund or pooled investment vehicle (as defined in 15 U.S.C. §80a-3)
- ☐ Investment advisor (as defined in 15 U.S.C. §80b-2(a)(11))

C. NAICS (North American Industry Classification System) 4-digit code that best describes debtor.  
See <http://www.uscourts.gov/four-digit-national-association-naics-codes>.

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**8. Under which chapter of the Bankruptcy Code is the debtor filing?***Check one:*

- ☐ Chapter 7
- ☐ Chapter 9

☒ Chapter 11. *Check all that apply:*

- ☐ Debtor's aggregate noncontingent liquidated debts (excluding debts owed to insiders or affiliates) are less than \$2,566,050 (amount subject to adjustment on 4/01/19 and every 3 years after that).
- ☐ The debtor is a small business debtor as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D). If the debtor is a small business debtor, attach the most recent balance sheet, statement of operations, cash-flow statement, and federal income tax return or if all of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure in 11 U.S.C. § 1116(1)(B).
- ☐ A plan is being filed with this petition.
- ☐ Acceptances of the plan were solicited prepetition from one or more classes of creditors, in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 1126(b).
- ☐ The debtor is required to file periodic reports (for example, 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission according to § 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. File the *attachment to Voluntary Petition for Non-Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy under Chapter 11* (Official Form 201A) with this form.
- ☐ The debtor is a shell company as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Rule 12b-2.

☐ Chapter 12**9. Were prior bankruptcy cases filed by or against the debtor within the last 8 years?**

- ☒ No.
- ☐ Yes.

If more than 2 cases, attach a separate list.

District _____	When _____	Case number _____
District _____	When _____	Case number _____

**10. Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being filed by a business partner or an affiliate of the debtor?**

- ☒ No
- ☐ Yes.

List all cases. If more than 1, attach a separate list

Debtor _____	Relationship _____
District _____	When _____ Case number, if known _____

Debtor Amshale Energy LLC, A Texas limited liability company  
Name

Case number (if known) \_\_\_\_\_

**11. Why is the case filed in this district?***Check all that apply:*

- ☒ Debtor has had its domicile, principal place of business, or principal assets in this district for 180 days immediately preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 days than in any other district.
- ☐ A bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general partner, or partnership is pending in this district.

**12. Does the debtor own or have possession of any real property or personal property that needs immediate attention?**☒ No☐ Yes. Answer below for each property that needs immediate attention. Attach additional sheets if needed.**Why does the property need immediate attention?** (*Check all that apply.*)☐ It poses or is alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable hazard to public health or safety.

What is the hazard? \_\_\_\_\_

☐ It needs to be physically secured or protected from the weather.☐ It includes perishable goods or assets that could quickly deteriorate or lose value without attention (for example, livestock, seasonal goods, meat, dairy, produce, or securities-related assets or other options).☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_**Where is the property?** \_\_\_\_\_

Number, Street, City, State &amp; ZIP Code

**Is the property insured?**☐ No☐ Yes. Insurance agency \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Statistical and administrative information****13. Debtor's estimation of available funds***Check one:*

- ☒ Funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors.
- ☐ After any administrative expenses are paid, no funds will be available to unsecured creditors.

**14. Estimated number of creditors**☒ 1-49☐ 50-99☐ 100-199☐ 200-999☐ 1,000-5,000☐ 5001-10,000☐ 10,001-25,000☐ 25,001-50,000☐ 50,001-100,000☐ More than 100,000**15. Estimated Assets**☐ \$0 - \$50,000☐ \$50,001 - \$100,000☐ \$100,001 - \$500,000☐ \$500,001 - \$1 million☐ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million☒ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million☐ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million☐ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million☐ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion☐ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion☐ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion☐ More than \$50 billion**16. Estimated liabilities**☐ \$0 - \$50,000☐ \$50,001 - \$100,000☐ \$100,001 - \$500,000☐ \$500,001 - \$1 million☐ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million☒ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million☐ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million☐ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million☐ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion☐ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion☐ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion☐ More than \$50 billion

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**Request for Relief, Declaration, and Signatures**

**WARNING** -- Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime. Making a false statement in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

**17. Declaration and signature  
of authorized  
representative of debtor**

The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.

I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.

I have examined the information in this petition and have a reasonable belief that the information is true and correct.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 09/26/2016  
MM/DD/YYYY

X

Signature of authorized representative of debtor

Title Managing Member

Houghtaling Enterprises LLC by: John  
Houghtaling  
Printed name

**18. Signature of attorney**

X

/s/Douglas S. Draper\*

Signature of attorney for debtor

Date 09/26/2016

MM / DD / YYYY

Douglas S. Draper  
Printed name

Heller, Draper, Patrick, Horn & Dabney, LLC  
Firm name

650 Poydras St., Ste. 2500  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code

Contact phone 504-299-3300

Email address ddraper@hellerdraper.com

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Bar number and State

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**5107 Junuis St.**

**Dallas, TX 75214**

**CERTIFICATE OF RESOLUTIONS**

The undersigned, the managing member of Amshale Energy LLC, a Texas limited liability company (the "Company"), do hereby certify that the Company has adopted the following resolutions:

**RESOLVED**, that it is desirable and in the best interest of the Company, its creditors, members and other interested parties, that a petition be filed by the Company seeking relief under the provisions of Chapter 11, of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"); and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that the form of Chapter 11 petition shall be as required by law and is approved and adopted in all respects, and that John W. Houghtaling, II be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed, on behalf of and in the name of the Company to execute and verify a petition substantially in such form and to cause the same to be filed with the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern or Southern District of Texas, at such time as John W. Houghtaling, II executing said petition on behalf of the Company shall determine; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that John W. Houghtaling, II be, and hereby is authorized to execute and file all petitions, schedules, lists and other papers and to take any and all action which she may deem necessary or proper in connection with the Chapter 11 case; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that John W. Houghtaling, II be, and hereby is authorized and directed to employ Heller, Draper, Patrick, Horn & Dabney, L.L.C. as bankruptcy counsel to the Company to represent and assist the Company in carrying out its duties under Title 11 of the United States Code, and to take any and all actions to advance the Company's rights, including filing and pleading, and in connection therewith, John W. Houghtaling, II is hereby authorized and directed to execute appropriate retention agreements, pay appropriate retainers prior to and immediately upon the filing of the Chapter 11 case, and to cause to be filed an appropriate application for authority to retain the services of said attorneys.

**IN WITNESS WHEREFORE**, I have hereunto set my hand on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of  
September, 2016.

**Houghtaling Enterprises, LLC**

**By:**

**Name:** John W. Houghtaling, II

**Its:** Managing Member

